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Dear Josh,

don't worry: "si parva licet componere magnis", this letter, like Saint Augustine's epistles, does not require a reply. Simply, I would like to thank you for what you have done for us during our stay in Palo Alto. It has been a most pleasant experience and we have enjoyed it tremendously. We are now undergoing our "period of adjustment" to the Italian environment and Palo Alto (the people, the lab, the surroundings) does look already as Camelot.

I saw Luca very briefly before his departure; by now he must be roaming somewhere in the areas that older maps referred to with the brief (and encouraging) statement: "hic sunt leones".

We are looking forward to your visit to Pavia (though I am almost sure that you will find an excellent excuse to cancel the trip).

Thanks to you, "Babylon revisited" has been a wonderful adventure.

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